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Notes

	
<p>Matthew 2 :9-11 (NKJV) 9 When they heard the king, they departed; and behold, the star which they had seen in the East went before them, till it came and stood over where the young Child was. 10 When they saw the star, they rejoiced with exceedingly great joy. 11 And when they had come into the house, they saw the young Child with Mary His mother, and fell down and worshiped Him. And when they had opened their treasures, they presented gifts to Him: gold, frankincense, and myrrh.</p>	
<p>1. On the first day of Christmas my true love sent to me partridge in a pear tree!</p>	
<p>John 3:16(NKJV) 16 For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.</p>	
<p>On the second day of Christmas my true love sent to me two turtle doves. Turtle doves were used as an offering to God.</p>	
<p>Luke chapter 2:24 24 and to offer a sacrifice according to what is said in the Law of the Lord, "a pair of turtledoves, or two young pigeons."</p>	



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<p>On the 3rd day of Christmas my true love sent to me 3 French hens.</p>	
<p>Gold, Frankincense and Myrrh.</p>	
<p>This gift also has a second and deeper meaning. The three French hens represent faith, hope, and love with the greatest of these three being love.</p>	
<p>On the 4th day of Christmas my true love sent to me 4 calling birds.</p>	
<p>This represented, Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John.</p>	
<p>On the 15th day of Christmas my true love sent to me 5 golden rings.</p> <p>The 16th century golden rings were the most valuable and treasured possessions that a person could have.</p>	



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<p>On the six day of Christmas my true love sent to me Six geese a-laying.</p> <p>Almost every culture, the egg symbolises new life</p>	
<p>On the Seven day of Christmas my true love sent to me Seven swans a-swimming.</p>	
<p>The seven swans are symbolic of the seven gifts of the Holy Spirit.</p>	
<p>Romans 12:5-8 (NIV) 5 so in Christ we, though many, form one body, and each member belongs to all the others. 6 We have different gifts, according to the grace given to each of us. If your gift is prophesying, then prophesy in accordance with your[a] faith; 7 if it is serving, then serve; if it is teaching, then teach; 8 if it is to encourage, then give encouragement; if it is giving, then give generously; if it is to lead, do it diligently; if it is to show mercy, do it cheerfully.</p>	
<p>The blessed means being happy</p> <p>Greek: μακάριος Transliteration: makarios Pronunciation: mak-ar'-ee-os</p>	



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THE BEATITUDES

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| 1) Blessed are the poor in Spirit , for there is the kingdom of heaven | 5) Blessed are the Merciful , for they shall obtain mercy |
| 2) Blessed are those who mourn , for they shall be comforted | 6) Blessed are the pure of heart , for they shall see God. |
| 3) Blessed are the meek , for they shall inherit the earth. | 7) Blessed are the peace makers , for they shall be called sons of God. |
| 4) Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness , for they shall be satisfy. | 8) Blessed are those who are persecuted , for righteousness sake, for theirs is the kingdom of Heaven. |

Matthew 5:1-12

On the ninth day of Christmas my True Love sent to me nine ladies dancing.

Galatians 5:22-26

22. But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, 23 gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law. 24 Those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the sinful nature with its passions and desires. 25. Since we live by the Spirit, let us keep in step with the Spirit. 26. Let us not become conceited, provoking, and envying each other.

On the 11th day of Christmas my true love sent to me 11 pipers piping.

11 apostles faithful to Jesus, but there was one apostle, who did not remain faithful to Jesus and that was Judas.



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On the 12th day of Christmas my true love sent me
twelve drummers drumming.

12th day of Christmas, my true love God gave to me the
church!

1. God is Creator of Heaven and earth.
2. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
3. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary.
4. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.
5. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again.
6. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
7. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.
8. I believe in the Holy Spirit,
9. The holy catholic*Church, the communion of saints,
10. The forgiveness of sins,
11. The resurrection of the body,
12. Life everlasting.